

TOWN OF HOUNSFIELD BOARD MEETING
October 14, 2015

A Public Hearing was called to order by Supervisor Timothy Scee at 7 pm, at the Town Hall, 18774 Co. Rt. 66, for the purposed of hearing comments from the public on proposed Local Law #1 of 2015, to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law #3-c. There were no public comments and the hearing was declared closed by Supervisor Scee.

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Hounsfield Town Board was called to order and members present were Supervisor Scee, Councilman Stephen Lee, Councilman Todd Farrington, Councilman Richard Young, and Councilman Carson Lennox.

A motion was made by C'man Lee and 2nd by C'man Farrington to approve the minutes of the Town Board meeting held on 9/9/15. All voted aye and the motion was carried.

Supervisor Scee reported on correspondence he received.

Clerk to the Supervisor read the Supervisor's Report for September 2015: total receipts \$54,657.80, total disbursements \$114,462.55, total cash in bank \$110,274.04, total investments \$800,000. A motion was made by C'man Young and 2nd by C'man Lennox to accept the Supervisor's Report. All voted aye and the motion was carried.

A motion was made by C'man Lee and 2nd by C'man to pay bills in abstract #10, vouchers #543-615 as presented: General Fund A \$24,762.95, General Fund B \$434.06, Lakeside Cemetery Fund \$1,802.89, Highway Fund A \$18,290.65, Highway Fund B \$128,924.91, Water Dist. 2 \$19,143.44, Water Dist. 5 \$2,008.61, Water Dist. 1 \$3,397.56, Water Dist. 4 \$2,570.34, Water Dist. 3 \$29,188.52, Abstract total \$230,523.93. All voted aye. Carried.

A motion was made by C'man Lee and 2nd by C'man Young to approve budget transfers submitted by the Clerk to the Supervisor. All voted aye and the motion was carried.

C'man Lee, C'man Farrington, C'man Young, and C'man Lennox each gave a report.

A motion was made by C'man Lee and 2nd by C'man Young to approve the budget transfer in the Joint Recreation Commission's budget of \$3,000 to be use for Boccee Ball court installation. All voted aye and the motion was carried.

A work report was given by the Highway Superintendent.

A motion was made by C'man Lee and 2nd by C'man Farrington to revise the Procurement Policy to add NJPA as a purchasing option for the Highway Department. All voted aye. Carried.

A Zoning Officer's report was given.

A representative of Barton & Loguidice Engineering firm was present to give updates of proposed water district 6 & 7, water tower aeration systems and airport sewer study.

A motion was made by C'man Lee and 2nd by C'man Farrington for Resolution #15-12 to approve the annual reports from the Town Court for the year 2014. All voted aye. Carried.

Supervisor Scee reported that Attorney Renzi has the deed to the court building now and will move forward with creation of a building lot.

Attorney Renzi has also been asked to create an agreement to purchase water from Sackets Harbor to proposed water district 7.

A final worksession has been scheduled for the 2016 Town Budget for 10/19/15 at 7 pm.

A motion was made by C'man Young and 2nd by C'man Lee to authorize the Supervisor to send a letter explaining the Town application requirements for a solar farm project to representatives of SunEdison who has expressed interest in a project of this nature. All voted aye. Carried.

A motion was made by C'man Lee and 2nd by C'man Farrington for Resolution #15-13 to authorize application for funding through the Justice Court Assistance Program to use for upgrades to the Town court building. All voted aye and the motion was carried.

A motion was made by C'man Young and 2nd by C'man Farrington for Resolution #15-14 for adoption of Local law #1 of 2015 to override the State tax levy limit if necessary for the 2016 Town Budget. All voted aye and the motion was carried.

During Public Comment the Board had questions of the Highway Superintendent about water hydrants and a comment was made about cleaning the highway building.

Supervisor Scee announced that there will be a public informational meeting for the proposed Galloo Island Wind Farm on 11/5/15 from 7pm-10pm here at the Town Hall.

A motion was made by C'man Lee and 2nd by C'man Farrington to schedule the Public Hearing for the 2016 Town Budget for November 4, 2015 at 7 pm, immediately before the regular Town Board meeting. All voted aye and the motion was carried.

At 7:57PM a motion was made by C'man Young and 2nd by C'man Farrington that the Board go into executive session to discuss negotiations with the labor union. All voted aye. Carried.

The Board returned from executive session at 8:47pm and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Diane M. Nier, Town Clerk